

Town of Magnolia

Mayor Cheryl Carney

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Mayor Cheryl Carney called the September 12, 2011 meeting of the Magnolia Town Council to order at 7:00pm. Vice Mayor Jim Frazier and Councilpersons Barry Fillman, Scott Fowler and Pat Jarrell were present. Diane Cahall –Secretary/Treasurer and Ralph Satterfield were present.

Guest included: Robin Glover; 10 N. Main, Leroy Hazzard; 12 N. Main, Amy Reed; 13 N. Main.

Leroy Hazzard notified council that a tree located on the front of his property had to be trimmed back because it was a safety hazard and interfering with traffic on North Main Street due to storm damage from Hurricane Irene. Dickeys Tree Service trimmed back the tree at a cost of \$500.00. Mr.

Hazzard will obtain a price to remove the tree which should be \$2,000 - \$4,000. Mayor Carney advised Mr. Hazzard that the tree is located on his property and he is responsible, however, when we get the \$500.00 bill we will pay it and will submit it to DEMA for reimbursement. If funding is available from DEMA, we will also entertain a proposal for complete tree removal or trim back. We will have to obtain 3 bids from tree companies. James Frazier made a motion to pay the \$500.00 bill; seconded by Pat Jarrell – motion carried.

All three town residents showed concern regarding the properties owned by Marjorie and Thomas Lane and Lyelle Lu Champion. Amy Reed presented photos of the property at 15 N. Main owned by the Lanes. Poison Ivy is growing everywhere, window shades are torn and hanging. House is in horrible condition, an eyesore and health/safety factor to residents. The Mayor and council explained to all present that we are in the process of updating our town ordinances and becoming involved with DELJIS (Delaware Criminal Justice Information System); which will provide us the authority to take action on these neglected properties.

Mayor Carney asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting – Motion made by Barry Fillman and 2nd by Jim Frazier - motion carried.

Mayor Carney asked for a motion to approve the treasurers' report and pay the bills. Councilman Jim Frazier made the motion to approve the report and pay the bills 2nd by Pat Jarrell - motion carried.

Ralph Satterfield prepared the following report for August 2011: Flushed all hydrants – normal. Cut grass at North Main Street. Flushed school to prepare for the new school year. Prepared for the storm: Generator fuel, Chlorine moved, reviewed switch gear with Thompson, Dressed Flags. Thanks to whoever partially filled N. Main pot hole.

Scott Fowler presented the following water report: The town used 1,754,000 gallons of water during August 2011. Pump 2: 869,000. Pump 3: 885,000. The pumps ran a total of: 53.9 hours (well 2) and 54.3 hours (well 3). Well levels: 35', 30' and 35'. Average chlorine is .176. Scott Fowler and Ed Marvel prepared the public health reports and Diane will mail reports to the Division of Drinking Water. Scott also presented an additional bill to Envirocorp, Inc. in the amount of \$325.00 for copper and lead management.

Mayor Carney advised that Heritage Day Sept. 24th is from 10:00 am. – 3:00 pm Parade at 11:00 am. Book Mobile, Pony Rides, DNREC, Moon Bounce, a band from Center Point Church, Magnolia Ladies Auxiliary will prepare food, Felton Fire Company Ice Cream Truck, and several vendor tables. Jim Frazier advised the St. Thomas Moore Drum Line will lead the parade. Diane will contact the Dover Post and Delaware to announce the festivities. The Magnolia Fire Company will also be providing transportation from the parking area and set up many displays.

Mayor Carney advised council that Barrett Edwards is working on ordinances with the town council. Council is reviewing ordinances with suggestions. It was noted to save legal expenses; we could use other towns' ordinances as a guideline. Council is reminded to send all additions and/or changes via email to Barrett Edwards and cc to Cheryl Carney. Mr. Edwards will present a draft of the ordinances at a future council meeting.

Town resident Frank Young is contacting Caesar Rodney school official to try to get the McIlvaine School playground open to town residents. Barry Fillman is also working on this endeavor.

Council discussed the pot hole at the East side of Thorne Street. Mayor Carney will get an estimate from Webb and call Scott Fowler.

Mayor Carney asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm. Motion made by Vice Mayor Jim Frazier and 2nd by Councilman Barry Fillman. - Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectively Submitted,
Secretary Diane P. Cahall

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Diane P. Cahall". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name of the secretary.